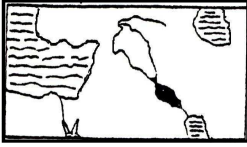


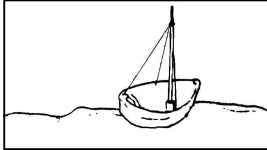
Questions to Ask About a Culture

1. Geography



- Usually between Tigris and Euphrates river
- Mesopotamia's valley between rivers
- Weather much the same as today, hot in the summer and cold in the winter

2. Economics



- Lacked many natural resources (timber, stone, minerals)
- Fertile land for crops
- Settled into city-states

3. Religion and Philosophy



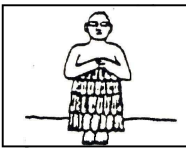
- Work shipped 300 deities, each city-states founded by specific deity
- Built ziggurat for each deity
- Only kings high priest's military officials allowed in

4. Knowledge, Education, and the Arts



- Only boys in wealthy families went to scribe school
- Students studied arithmetic, reading, writing
- School lasted 24 days a month

5. Political Science



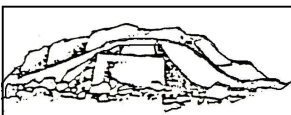
- Governments (ruled by king)
- Settled into city-states (own rulers, government)
- Uruk most powerful city state
- Strong city states concord and controlled weaker governments

6. Sociology



- Men head of house hold, arranged marriage of daughters and education of sons
- Women had some rights, parents gave dowry to daughter for marriage
- Slaves treated well

7. History



- Refer to as "cradle" of civilization
- First know civilizations founded here
- Country followed pattern of settlement and conquest